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## **New Hampshire EMS Information Bulletin 1**

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SUBJECT: Medicated Assisted Intubations

TO: New Hampshire Paramedics, EMS Unit Leaders, Medical Directors and

**EMS Hospital Coordinators** 

FROM: The NH Bureau of EMS, NH Medical Control Board and NH Emergency

Medical and Trauma Services Coordinating Board

At the September 21, 2006 Medical Control Board meeting, it was voted, "to not change our protocols to include Medicated Assisted Intubation and to conclude it is not a prehospital option at this time."

At this time only Rapid Sequence Intubation is approved for medically altering a patient's mental status and neuromuscular response to facilitate intubation. RSI is a prerequisite protocol and requires the use of etomidate and succinylcholine. The RSI protocol use requires approval from the Division of Fire Standards and Training and Emergency Medical Services' Bureau of EMS and Medical Control Board.

For more detail see the September 21, 2006 Medical Control Board Minutes at: http://www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/fstems/ems/boards/medicalcontrol/mbminutes.html